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IN REPLY PLEASE

REFER TO FILE: **FM-3**

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**AUTHORITY TO DO WORK
FISCAL YEAR 2004-05 ANNUAL REQUEST
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 3 AND 5
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Authorize the Director of Public Works to proceed with various work totaling \$135,000 as shown in the Enclosure using Public Works' forces as provided for in Section 20991 of the Public Contract Code.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Public Contract Code provides that your Board may authorize certain work in excess of \$10,000 to be performed by Public Works' forces. Accomplishment of the above work by Public Works conforms to provisions of the Public Contract Code, and it consists of facility protection, channel protection, and maintenance work.

In each case, the work listed can be more effectively scheduled and coordinated in conjunction with other planned operations and maintenance activities at the various facilities if it is performed by Public Works. Also, Public Works will be able to maintain the necessary operational skills to perform this specialized work in the future. In the past, your Board authorized Public Works to do similar work with our own forces.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action meets the County's Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence and Workforce Excellence by allowing the construction of these projects during the normal course of maintenance work thereby reducing costs and by maintaining the needed operational skills to retain a well-trained workforce.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

This will not impact the County's General Fund. Sufficient funds for this work have been included in the Flood Control District 2004-05 Fiscal Year Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Section 20991 of the Public Works Contract Code allows your Board to authorize certain types of flood control work to be performed by force account.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

These projects are categorically exempt in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15301(f) of the Guidelines, and Class 1(e) of the revised Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

No contracting of services will be needed.

IMPACT OF CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be minimal impact on current County services or projects during the performance of the authorized force account work.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Public Works

JWW:cmb
San Gabriel Coastal Spreading Grounds

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel

ENCLOSURE

PROPOSED WORK

Supervisory District 1

Install gates, fencing, and signage necessary to allow pedestrian access to an existing City of Pico Rivera recreational trail between Bexley Drive and Washington Boulevard. The trail is located within the San Gabriel Coastal Spreading Grounds. The estimated cost is \$52,000.

Supervisory District 3

Construct 1,300 lineal feet of 4-foot-tall rail and cable barrier on SDBI Project 461 between Osborne and Montague to prevent unauthorized dumping into the channel. The estimated cost is \$22,000.

Construct a sediment staging concrete apron with sump to separate debris from water prior to disposal at Hansen Spreading Grounds. The estimated cost is \$15,000.

Construct two new metal catwalks 13-feet-long by 3.5-feet-wide to read gauges in basins at Pacoima Spreading Grounds. Current wood catwalks are beyond repair, and remaining catwalks for the other basins were already replaced. The estimated cost is \$14,000.

Supervisory District 5

Construct a 12- by 12-foot fencing-material storage area and extend slab fronting trash and sand bin area for storage of materials and to further BMPs at Pickens Yard. The estimated cost is \$20,000.

Construct concrete slabs at Pickens Yard to allow for the parking of larger equipment while preventing damage to existing asphalt. The estimated cost is \$12,000.